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VASAP CELEBRATES ITS VOLUNTEERS WITH A NIGHT TO SHINE



“They plant trees to benefit another generation,” wrote Caecilius Statius, whose words set the stage for the volunteer recognition held by the Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program (VASAP) on the evening of June 20, 2000. Nadja Cabello, LCSW-C, VASAP Program Director, offered welcoming remarks and presented the awards jointly with volunteer team supervisors.

The volunteer effort at VASAP is unique. Volunteers meet three different needs at VASAP: sexual assault victims, general crime victims’ concerns and administrative functions. The largest group is comprised of 44 sexual assault outreach volunteers. They perform the vital function of immediate outreach to victims after a

sexual assault. These dedicated people agree to wear pagers, be on call for two, six hour shifts per week, 24 hours/day, 365 days/year, and meet sexual assault victims at Montgomery County hospitals and police stations. For the time period from July 1, 1999 to May 31, 2000, outreach volunteers donated 9,751 hours of service, completed 70 outreaches and provided crisis intervention to 144 people.



Nancy Hauck, Sybil Brounstein, Sid Brounstein, Sally Rogers, and Tea Maxwell

Among those honored were:

Judith Aboud
Cynthia Alderton
Heather Arcuri
Cathy Baker

Nancy Genies
Judith Hanna
Nancy Hauck
Chris Jones

Janis Berman
Jennifer Biggs
Carrie Borher
Randi Boule
Floyd Brenner
Sybil Brounstein
Janet Brown
Karen Dinsenbacher
Jim Fenton
Adriana Ferpozzi
Alice Flester
Juan Pablo Perez
Earlene Reavies
Sally Rogers
Joan Suntum
Adriana Valbuena
Sharon Wilson
Reshma Yaqub

La Veer Jovel
Stephanie Kreider
Florence Lang
Roberta Larkin
Susan Martin
Eileen Mason
Tea Maxwell
Michelle McGhee
Laura McGrew
Candace Parott
Jean Pascoe
Jogues Prandoni
Kristan Roe
Barbara Shine
Vivian Unger
Liz Vanderham
Nancy Withrow
Jean Zaktonik

number of hours as an active volunteer (4,086 hours), and Floyd Brenner had the longest length of service (8 years). Gift certificates, clocks, nameplates and stars on the VASAP Thousand Hour Club Plaque captured the special regard in which these volunteers are held.



Ellen Wachter and Nadja Cabello, VASAP Program Director, present Nancy Hauck with the 1999 George Sullivan Outstanding Outreach Volunteer Award

Additional recognition was provided to outreach volunteers who had perfect attendance at VASAP Monthly Volunteer meetings (Jennifer Biggs and Tea Maxwell). Jogues Prandoni devised a new log for documenting volunteer outreaches, Carrie Borher and Jim Fenton tied for the most number of hours on call for FY 2000-600 hours. Judi Aboud had the most



Dana Naparsteck presents Sally Rogers with the 2000 George Sullivan Outstanding Outreach Volunteer Award.

Four general crime volunteers were recognized for their contributions to VASAP

Meg Lewis was cited for her 8 remarkable years of effort as a victim assistant with both the general crime and sexual assault populations. Pat Lupson and Mary Jane Alexander were recognized for their contributions to the Wings of Hope Survivor Newsletter and their co-leadership of monthly homicide survivor support group meetings. Warren Lupson was recognized for his long-standing support of homicide survivor support group meetings, while both Warren and Pat Lupson were



acknowledged for their leadership roles in taking impact of crime programming into the Maryland prison system to awaken inmates to the fallout of their criminal activity on crime victims and survivors.

Michael Knippler was recognized as the sole administrative volunteer at VASAP. Whether the issue be sexual assault or general crime, Michael can be counted on to roll up his sleeves to archive records, prepare mailings, organize materials or file.

Although the contributions of all VASAP volunteers are noteworthy and meritorious, the tone of the evening was anything but solemn. Festive fruit, desserts and flowers set the stage for the sort of teasing that can go on only when all present know each other really well. The volunteers' dedication to the VASAP cause and staff make such familiarity simple and a pleasure for all – both present and those unable to attend – clients served and yet to be met. A great job all around and a fine time for all! Thank you, everyone, and a fine launch to another year of stellar effort!



Candace Parrott, Randi Boule, Jennifer Biggs, Jim Fenton, and Liz Vanderham



Nancy Withrow, Judi Aboud, Jean Blanchard, Cathy Baker, Pat Waldron, Jean Zakotnik

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BOOK REVIEW

LOST LIVES

BEREFT

A Sister's Story

By Jane Bernstein

Review by Carolyn See

This is one of those very good memoirs that are absolute heartbreakers to read. Jane Bernstein was 17 in 1966, living at home in New Jersey with her parents. Her older sister, Laura, had followed her fiancé out to Tempe, Ariz., where they were both going to school. Nothing could have been more normal, more uneventful, than Jane's life. Then one night Laura turned up dead, murdered by a stranger for no apparent reason. She was only 20. This memoir, then, is Jane's story, about how a family never gets over tragedy, but instead incorporates it into domestic history that will probably last one way or another-until long after all of us are dead.

What do you do when your sister is murdered? You keep on going out on dates. You change your first name. You distance yourself from your parents' suffering. You correspond with your sister's fiancé. You drink way too much. You drift into relationships that might be just a little bit dubious. You pursue your own life. You do everything you can to remember your sister. You do everything you can to forget her. Or to remember her again. When other people around you die, you soldier on, because that's the way life is. You think about the crime, about your sister's last night. You pursue your own life.

A dog that's been hit by a car often doesn't lie down right away on the street and die. Dazed, it circles, and circles again, trying-through its pain and wounds-to mimic normal behavior. Jane Bernstein gave normal behavior her very best shot. She went on to school. She had a boyfriend. She turned into a writer. She married a guy and had two kids.

One of her daughters was born blind; that was a misfortune. Her husband was an irrational, terrifying abuser; that was a misfortune of another kind entirely, and that's when this book becomes almost impossible to read. Bernstein recites a litany of character references about the man she's married to-he's a good man, a fine man, decent, thoughtful, tender, wonderful in every way, except that from the very beginning of their relationship, he slams her against the wall, punches her out, terrifies the neighbors. After Bernstein's children are born, her husband keeps doing this, and she

keeps on taking it; she doesn't want to deprive the children, she says, of a loving father. Their life goes on, mimicking normalcy. But after her first daughter is born, Jane's mother can barely take the baby into her arms. What kind of grandmother would physically recoil from her first grandchild? The kind of grandma whose first daughter was senselessly murdered.

At a family dinner with Jane's husband's parents, that wacky spouse of hers shatters a glass and storms out of the room; Jane's mother-in-law mutters something about her son taking after a hot-tempered relative (as if taking after a murderous relative makes murderousness all right). Then, after decades, Jane decides to investigate her sister's murder. She thinks of herself as a bit of an intrepid girl reporter; she thinks of herself as a writer on assignment; she thinks, she thinks.

But one of the most important themes of this memoir is how smart people can be so dumb. The author's family turns round and round, mimicking normalcy; the reader sees them, under the sway of an actual madman (who has a PhD but can't control his rages). They seek marriage counseling. The counselor drones on about how wonderful this crazy husband is, while at home, tears flow and-as in one of those awful Disney movies where things get so bad you can't bear to watch it anymore-the blind girl must perceive an unspeakably wicked world, but the author, caught in a world of her own, her own perception of things, can't bring herself to notice.

As a smart author, Bernstein artfully rearranges the circumstances of her sister's murder. She tracks down attorneys on both sides and the police and even the father of the murderer himself, a massively dim old guy drinking scotch in his stocking feet, who

can't even remember the name of his son's victim. Meanwhile, the author's daughters are growing up and incurring the wrath of their terrifying dad. Bernstein may be a smart author, but as a wife and mother she's utterly paralyzed here, unable to leave a man who puts her family in danger every day.

And this is the fruit of just one murder, just one early death. "Bereft" implicitly invites us to think of all the deaths, all the unjust beatings, all the haywire genes that go into the makeup of just one family-and it could be any family. No matter how smart we are, it's quite another thing to dodge our emotional, genetic inheritance, even if we want to.

Bernstein constructs a happy ending in the last few pages of this book, but it's the violence and mindless suffering here that bear the horrifying stamp of authenticity, and that break the reader's heart.

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SPECIAL FEATURE

Luis Sequeira Remembered and Mourned in Daughter's Victim Impact Statement

A victim impact statement is a statement, usually written, and presented to a judge and jury prior to sentencing aimed at letting the State know how the crime (in this case murder) has affected the victim's surviving family and friends. When survivors are permitted to address the Court after a defendant's been found guilty in a trial proceeding, survivors either speak from the heart or read their written statements.

The featured statement was written by Maria Sequeira Anderson and provided to Judge Paul A. McGuckian in Montgomery County Circuit Court after a jury of twelve citizens found the defendant guilty of shooting Maria's father, Luis Sequeira, on July 17, 1999. Mr. Sequeira died of his injuries the following day.

Maria Sequeira Anderson spoke from her heart at sentencing. Several other family members and friends also submitted written statements and spoke at the sentencing as well. Judge McGuckian sentenced the defendant to life without parole plus 40 years for taking Luis Sequeira's life. The text of Maria's written victim impact statement follows.



Luis Sequeira





It has been 11 months and it still feels like it was just last week that my father was murdered. I have a very hard time believing the excuses that have been heard both during the trial and after. To me it is a pitiful excuse to blame one's childhood. People and even animals for that matter learn to compensate and overcome obstacles in positive ways. Regardless of what happens in childhood you are responsible for the actions taken in adulthood. To blame others for a vicious crime is simply an excuse, a way to not take responsibility for one's actions.

It makes me angry that we had a full time dad from the day we were brought into this world and he was taken away because the convicted man felt his father wasn't there for him. How could my father's death possibly make up for his father's absence? My father was always there for us. He was there to brush our hair, and take us to school, advocate for us when we needed him and even when we wished he wouldn't. He helped us with our science projects and tried to help us with math. They may seem like simple things but they are what matter most to us. We miss the stories that he would tell about him growing up in Nicaragua.

Although time has passed it is still difficult to see the pictures, watch the family videos and just be in the same house in which we all had plans and dreams. It is unbearably quiet in the house that at one time was filled

with my father's laughter. We have learned to continue with our lives with a dark void in our hearts. There are new memories that do not seem complete. My father is missing from my wedding album. My wedding was bittersweet, with [only] my mother; my dad should have been able to walk me down the aisle. Although his spiritual presence was felt, I would have rather had his physical presence.

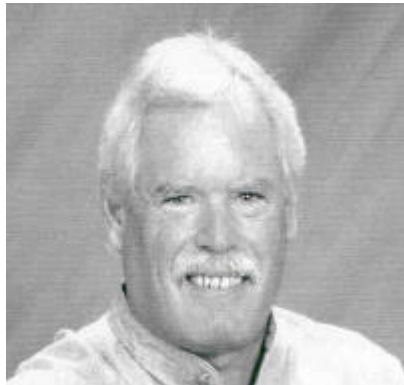
Every night before I go to sleep, I still see my father lying in that hospital bed with needles, tubes and monitors. I see his eye and blood dripping down his cheek. His face was so swollen, his forehead had no creases and lips and nose were enlarged to the point of being unrecognizable. His hands had swollen to the point that I could only hold onto one or two fingers. My father's stomach blew up like a balloon, I never thought that could happen. The irony of it all is that my father was afraid of hospitals and doctors and he lay there passively, all this suffering for 2,000 dollars.

My wish is that the convicted individual someday has a conscience for then he will seek our forgiveness and know that he will never receive it.

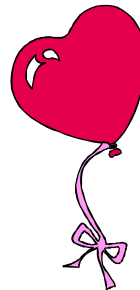
Maria Jaqueira Anderson



***JOHN LYON, VASAP VICTIM
ASSISTANT, HONORED***



On June 14, 2000, the Rockville Public Safety Awards Program held its eleventh annual awards ceremony. John Lyon, victim assistant with the Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program (VASAP), Crisis, Income and Victim Services, HHS, served as MC and presented awards to Montgomery County law enforcement, corrections, rehabilitation professionals and private citizens before being surprised with an award himself. Linda Warren, Program Chair of the Rockville Lions Club, presented John with an honorarium in the amount of \$500 in recognition of his long-standing advocacy work on behalf of victims of crime. Without hesitating, John turned over the award to Nadja Cabello, LCSW-C, VASAP Program Director, for deposit in the VASAP Trustee account so that the money could benefit other crime victims. Way to go, John!



**HEALING HEARTS IN THE
DESERT**

By Mary Jane Alexander

I recently attended the fourteenth annual National Conference of Parents of Murdered Children with my daughter Cindy. The Phoenix Chapter of POMC hosted the conference in Scottsdale, Arizona. It was my third conference, and each one has been special in its own way. The theme of this year's conference was Healing Hearts in the Desert.

The Conference provided a smorgasbord of 35 different workshop topics. They were all intriguing, but it was impossible to take advantage of all in just three days. The choices were difficult to make. Some of the new topics this year included Domestic Violence, From the Judge's Point of View (presented by Judge Jeffrey Coker, Presiding Judge of Cococino Count Superior Court) and Computer 101. I especially enjoyed

workshops humorously titled Wallowing: How to Have a “Good” Bad Day and Different Strokes for Different Folks: How and Why We All Grieve Differently. These were presented by Darcie Sims, a bereaved parent, certified grief counselor, bereavement specialist, and licensed psychotherapist and hypnotherapist. Darcie was the keynote speaker at the conference.

This year, in addition to attending many of the workshops, we took advantage of some of the roundtable discussions. These were held in the evenings after the workshops, and were very enlightening. Cindy attended one on Sibling Grief. There were others such as Father’s Grief, Surviving Spouses, Domestic Violence and Murder, and Children of Murdered Parents.

Since January I have participated in the Topic Forum, which is a link on the POMC website. The Topic Forum is ongoing, and allows members to post their thoughts and questions on many subjects for other members to read. It acts as a “sounding board” and at present has about 200 active members. Most of us have never met in person, but we feel very close after months of corresponding. We were fortunate to have a small group of Forum members in attendance at the Conference. We all wore our “4-um” buttons so that we could identify each other, and the meeting we had one night after all the workshops was one that I will always remember.

A highlight was the Memorial Dinner, where the memorial video was shown. We lit candles, and afterwards we released balloons. This was a very special part of the conference. The conference concluded with the Awards Banquet and a social hour on Saturday, then a brunch and Closing Ceremony on Sunday.

The conferences offer a renewed sense of support to help survivors like ourselves along this journey that none of us wanted to take. They offer the comfort of knowing that we are not alone. Next year’s conference will take place in Ft. Worth, Texas.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES FAVOR VICTIM’S CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

Both Texas Governor George W. Bush and Vice-President Al Gore have spoken out strongly in support of the need for a constitutional amendment to protect victims’ rights. They recognize that existing State statutes are not enough.

In a statement issued April 7, 2000, George Bush held that “I strongly support passage of the Victims’ Rights Amendment. Two years ago, I joined my colleagues on the National Governor’s Association in calling for a National Amendment, like the one we have in Texas and 30 other states. For too long, courts and lawyers have focused only on the rights of criminal defendants and not on the rights of innocent victims. We need to make sure that crime victims are not forgotten, that they are treated fairly and with respect in our criminal justice process.”

Speaking in Boston on July 12, 1999, Vice President Gore stated, “...I will never be satisfied so long as one victim is forgotten. Too often, we bend over backward to protect the right of criminals, but pay no attention to those who hurt the most. Victims should have a voice in trial and other proceedings. Their safety should be a factor in sentencing and release of their attackers. They should be notified when an offender is released into their community. And they should have a

right to compensation from their attacker. That is why I will lead the fight to pass a Victims' Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution – so our justice system puts victims and their families first again.”

Taken from <http://www.ncvan.org/home.htm>

NATIONAL VICTIMS’ CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT DEFEATED

Roberta Roper is Co-chair of the National Victims’ Constitutional Amendment Network (NVCAN), which is a 501 (c)(3) organization supporting the adoption of an amendment to the U.S. Constitution recognizing the fundamental rights of crime victims to be treated with dignity, fairness and respect by the criminal justice system. Mrs. Roper expressed the organization’s disappointment with the failure to come to agreement with the Clinton Administration over several provisions of a federal Crime Victims’ Rights Amendment. The amendment’s sponsors, Senators Jon Kyl and Dianne Feinstein, withdrew the proposal (Senate Joint Resolution 3) from further consideration at this time.

Mrs. Roper wrote to President Clinton saying, “We want you to know that we will persevere. This is an issue whose time will soon come, and that the people of this great nation embrace. We who are survivors will honor our loved ones by securing an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that provides crime victims across America with access to equal justice under the law.”

Mrs. Roper further stated that supporters of S.J. Res. 3 agreed to three of the four objections raised by the Administration. The fourth unresolved issue dealt with language regarding the relationship between victims’ rights and defendants’ rights. “The failure to win Administration concurrence with you (the President’s) announced approach to the victims’/defendants’ rights issue was the culmination of a frustrating struggle. For nearly two years, in overture after overture, we sought to have a meeting with Justice Department officials to discuss the issue. None of these requests received an answer.

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POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER FOLLOWING MURDERS AND DRUNK DRIVING CRASHES

**BY DEAN G. KILPATRICK
ANGELYNNE ARNICK
HEIDI S. RESNICK**

Of the approximately 176.3 million adults over the age of 18 in the United States, it is estimated that approximately 5 million have experienced the loss of a family member to either a criminal homicide or alcohol-related vehicular homicide.

Many of these survivors are suffering serious emotional problems, and available literature suggests that Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) may be one of the major problems.

At the Crime Victims Research and Treatment Center, Department of Psychiatry

and Behavioral Sciences, Medical University of South Carolina, our research team focused on determining how many adults in the U.S. have lost a family member to these homicides, and of these, how many family survivors are suffering from PTSD. The study was funded by the National Institute of Justice.

In Stage One of the study, we screened 12,500 members of the U.S. adult population. In Stage Two, 500 interviews were conducted with family survivors. Data from 214 of those survivors provided the basis for the study.

All subjects met the first criterion for PTSD, which is exposure to a traumatic event outside the range of normal human experience which would be expected to cause stress. To be classified as having PTSD, subjects had to have experienced either flashbacks, distressing dreams, or recurrent distressing recollections of the event. Also, at least three of the following symptoms had to be present: efforts to avoid activities or situations that aroused memories of the event, marked decrease in interest in significant activities, feeling of detachment from others, and restricted range of affect. Two of the following also had to be present: sleep disturbance, irritability, difficulty concentrating, hypervigilance, startle response, and physiologic symptoms of anxiety when exposed to reminders of the event.

The proportion of family members who developed homicide-related PTSD is substantial. The data suggests that 23.4% of family survivors developed homicide-related post-traumatic stress disorder, and 5.1% of the survivors had experienced PTSD symptoms during the six weeks before the assessment. We estimate that 1.2 million adults developed PTSD after the homicide

of their family member and that about 165,000 have current symptoms of PTSD.

The study also focused on homicide survivors' reports on the legal disposition of cases, and their attitudes about various aspects of treatment by the criminal justice system. Subjects were asked to make recommendations for improving the legal system's handling of criminal and vehicular homicide cases.

Regarding the legal disposition of cases, 60.9% of criminal homicide and only 39.5% of alcohol-related homicide survivors reported that they knew an arrest was made in the case. Of cases where there was a known arrest, 80% of the criminal and 55.6% of the alcohol-related homicide cases reportedly went to trial. Guilty verdicts were reported in more than 70% of the cases in both groups. However, only 30.4% of the criminal homicide and 40% of the alcohol-related homicide survivors thought the verdict was fair. Only 19.6% of the criminal homicide and 30% of the alcohol-related homicide survivors thought the sentencing was fair.

Seventy-four percent of the sample indicated that psychological or emotional counseling should be provided by the criminal justice system, but only 17% reported receiving adequate access to those services. More than 80% indicated that information about the status of the case, personal protection, legal assistance, social service referrals, and advocacy in dealing with the courts or police should be provided by the legal system. Both the criminal and alcohol-related vehicular homicide groups requested harsher penalties for all crimes.

The study concluded that the family survivors of criminal homicides and alcohol-

related vehicular homicides were strikingly similar, both in terms of their emotional reaction to the homicide and in their attitudes about the criminal justice system. Researchers believe that their study confirms the need for specialized mental health services for family members.

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Need a Friend?

Have you ever felt like you need to talk to, share with, or be with one of us who knows what it feels like to be a survivor? A few of the many people who are willing to listen, meet with you, share a hand or a shoulder are:

John Lyon	240/777-1419
(who lost his daughters)	
Wayne Mullinix	301/854-2566
(who lost his wife)	
Cynthia Doyle	301/559-6074
(who lost her brother)	
Kay and Gene Cummins	301/330-4450
(who lost two nieces, and whose son survived the attack)	

*At First
my very name was grief.
My eyes saw only grief,
my thoughts were grief.
And everything I touched
was turned to grief.*

*But now
I own the light of memories.
My eyes can see you,
and my thoughts can know you
for what you really are:
more than a young life lost,
more than a radiance
gone into night.*

*Today you have become
a gift beyond my grief,
a treasure to my world –
though you have left
my world and me behind.*

From the book “Wintersun” by Sasha
(L.A.R.G.O. Inc. 1996)

DIRGE WITHOUT MUSIC

By Edna St. Vincent Millay

*I am not resigned to the shutting away of loving hearts in the hard ground.
So it is, and so it will be, for so it has been, time out of mind:
Into the darkness they go, the wise and the lovely. Crowned
With lilies and with laurel they go; but I am not resigned.*

*Lovers and thinkers, into the earth with you.
Be one with the dull, the indiscriminate dust.
A fragment of what you felt, of what you knew,
A formula, a phrase remains, - but the best is lost.*


*The answers quick & keen, the honest look, the laughter, the love,
They are gone. They are gone to feed the roses. Elegant and curled
Is the blossom. Fragrant is the blossom. I know. But I do not approve.
More precious was the light in your eyes than all the roses in the world.*

*Down, down, down into the darkness of the grave
Gently they go, the beautiful, the tender, the kind;
Quietly they go, the intelligent, the witty, the brave.
I know. But I do not approve. And I am not resigned.*

WE REMEMBER

. . . . Those whose anniversaries of birth or death
Occur in the months since last issue or in the next three months:

Mervin Mason	Son of Hortense Mason	died	07/09/1993
Amani Renee Robinson	Daughter of Amy Hogan	born	07/10/1998
		died	08/26/1999
Lilian Silva	Sister of Sandra Nunes	born	07/19/1978
Mark Craft	Brother of Cynthia Doyle	died	07/20/1994
Ryan Castonguay	Son of Mary and Terry Castonguay	born	07/24/1974
Pamela Porter	Mother of Stephanie Abrams and John Foundaz	died	07/27/1999
Anthony Robinson	Father of Stephen Robinson	born	07/29/1937
Trevor Horn	Brother of Tiffani Horn, cousin of Paula Rogers, nephew of Gloria Maree, Marilyn Farmer, and Vivian Rice	born	08/08/1984
Frank Billeci	Fiancé of Cindy Billeci	born	09/12/1967
		died	08/08/1992
Douglas Ray Bostic Jr.	Son of Pat Tuell, brother of Angie Bell and Stephanie Menowsky	born	08/07/1970
Paul E. Simmons III	Son of Darlene Simmons	died	08/14/1994
Tony Gibson	Son of Jack Gray	born	08/26/1971
Gloria Elizabeth Clagett	Mother of Cheryl Keller	died	08/29/1999
Mark Jenkins	Son of Yvonne Walters, brother of Ann Marie Jenkins	died	09/02/1994
Rosalia Buitrago	Sister of Anita Doll, Patty Sanchez, Mariana Fife and Esther Maldonado	born	09/04/1953
Nelson Minter	Son of Mary Jane Alexander, brother of Cynthia and David Minter	born	09/15/1957
Anthony Robinson	Father of Stephen Robinson	died	09/28/1985
Joviane Waltrick	Daughter of Viviane Wagner and José Filho, sister of Neto Filho and Ricardo Filho	born	10/01/1980
Neville Young	Son of Gwendolyn Wilson	died	10/03/1992
Laura Houghteling	Daughter of Penny Houghteling	died	10/18/1992
Carl Krogmann	Son of Flora Krogmann, brother of Kenny Krogmann and Pam Jouanett	born	10/21/1964



Alma J. Fraser	Mother of Brenda and William Fraser and Jeanne Guntz, Donna Young, Marlene Irish, and Rosemary Tippens	died	10/22/1918
Sister MaryAnn Glinka	Sister of the Franciscan Sisters of Baltimore	born	10/31/1941
Joseph B. Nolan	Brother of Irene Goley and Mary Lawrence	died	11/01/1990
Caleb Allen, III	Son of Caleb Allen, Jr.	born	11/04/1955
Jerome Dublin	Son of Jackie Cherry and Brother of Lolita, James and Latansha	died	11/04/1994
Shirley Rue Mullinix	Mother of Debbie Kempl Mother of Rachel Hines Wife of Wayne Mullinix	born	11/05/1934
Millie Horn	Aunt of Paula Rogers, mother of Tiffani Horn, sister of Gloria Maree, Marilyn Farmer, and Vivian Rice	born	11/08/1949
Joshua Lee Lupson-Young	Grandson of Warren and Pat Lupson, and nephew of Brian Lupson	born	11/10/1992
Navid Kazemi	Son of Pari Kazemi	born died	11/11/1973 11/28/1992
Shaun Edward Lupson-Holden	Grandson of Warren and Pat Lupson, and nephew of Brian Lupson	born	12/01/1989
Nelson Minter	Son of Mary Jane Alexander and brother of Cynthia and David Minter	died	12/03/1993
Julie Kerry	Niece of Kay Cummins	born	12/16/1970
Bryan Dana Doty	Son of Donald and Cherie Doty	died	12/18/1993
Douglas Ray Bostic, Jr.	Son of Pat Tuell, brother of Angie Bell and Stephanie Menowsky	died	12/18/1993
Jennifer Withers	Daughter of Ron and Joan McClelland	died	12/27/1991

If you would like your loved one's name added, please contact the Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program at 1301 Piccard Drive
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SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

Victim support group meetings are usually held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1301 Piccard Drive (on the corner of West Gude Drive and Piccard Drive), Rockville, Maryland. The room number will be posted in the lobby, directing you to the right room.

Our standard schedule is:

7:15 – 8:30 p.m.

Refreshments/Sharing/Discussion

Facilitators: Amy Morris or Iris Mersky (staff) with Mary Jane Alexander or Pat Lupson (survivors)

For more information, please contact the VASAP Office at (240) 777-1355.